IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE DR JUSTICE G.YETHIRAJULU

WRIT PETITION NO : 18928 of 2004

Between:

R.Malleswara Rao S/o.Nagaiah
R/o.Nidadavole, Railway Qtrs.No.104/A East Godavari District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Chief Security Commissioner Railway Protection Force
South Central Rly, Rail Nilayam Secunderabad.
2 The Sr.Divisional Security Commissioner Railway Protection Force,
Vijayawada Divn., Vijayawada.
3 The Director General Railway Protection Force
Rail Bhavan (Railway Board) New Delhi.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue writ or order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of mandamus declaring the action of the 2nd respondent in denying the Travelling Allowance/Daily Allowance vide proceedings No.B/XP.II/MD/Vol.VII, dated 1.9.2004 based on the proceedings letter No.X/P.II/1/Vol.IX, dated 6.8.2004 even though the petitioner is compelled to work at Security Control, Vijayawada which is nearly 130 Kilometers from Nidadavole is illegal, arbitrary and violative of Article 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to pay Travelling Allowance with arrears forthwith duly retaining the petitioner at Nidadavole till his absorption in alternative post.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.J.M.NAIDU

Counsel for the Respondents: MR.GOURI SHANKAR SANGHI

The Court, at the stage of admission, made the following :

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ORAL ORDER

The petitioner was appointed as a Rakshak (Constable) in S.C. Railway in the year 1968. Subsequently, he was promoted as ASI in 1988. The petitioner, while working at Nidadavole, was medically found unfit for B-1 and B-2 categories, but, found fit in C-1 category under sedentary duties in pursuance of the medical certificate dated 24-07-2003 of the Chief Medical Superintendent, Vijayawada. The petitioner was kept under a supernumerary post at Nidadavole from 01-08-03. The petitioner was attached to the security control without passing any orders of transfer and without paying any Travelling Allowance from Nidadavole to Vijayawada. He preferred an appeal on 05-08-2004 requesting him to retain at Nidadavole. The 2nd respondent informed the petitioner through the proceedings dated 31-08-2004 that the request of the petitioner to retain at Nidadavole was not considered by the 1st respondent. The petitioner further contends that T.A bills were submitted to the 2nd respondent through Inspector, Nidadavole, but the bills were rejected on the ground that the petitioner is attached on supernumerary post. The petitioner contends that the action of the 2nd respondent in directing him to report before his Office for further duties, vide message dated 01-09-2004, attaching him to the security control without any transfer orders and without paying T.A from Nidadavole to Vijayawada, while retaining the post of the petitioner at Nidadavole for the purpose of drawl of the salary, as illegal and arbitrary. He, therefore, approached this Court seeking a direction to the 2nd respondent to pay Travelling allowance with arrears and to retain the petitioner at Nidadavole. The learned counsel for the respondents through the counter-affidavit stated that the petitioner was ordered to report at Nidadavole through the proceedings dated 28-10-2004 and the T.A bills were also directed to be allowed from the date of deputation at Vijayawada, pending clarification.

In the light of the submissions made by the respondents, there is no need to pass any order directing the respondents to retain the petitioner at Nidadavole. Regarding the grievance of the petitioner for payment of travelling allowance, the contents of the counter indicates that instructions were already issued to the concerned for allowing the claim of the travelling allowance of the petitioner. However, the respondents are directed to monitor the clearance of the T.A claims, made by the petitioner, as per the rules in force.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

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Dr.G.YETHIRAJULU,J

17th NOVEMBER 2004

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